## UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT DISTRICT OF NEVADA

In Re TERRANCE WILLIAMS,

Case No. 3:22-CV-0201-MMD-CLB

ORDER TO PAY FILING FEE OR FILE APLICATION TO PROCEED IN FORMA PAUPERIS

## I. DISCUSSION

On May 3, 2022, Plaintiff, an inmate in the custody of the Nevada Department of Corrections ("NDOC"), submitted documents to the Court. (ECF No. 1). Plaintiff has neither paid the full \$402 filing fee for this matter nor filed an application to proceed *in forma pauperis*.

Under 28 U.S.C. § 1915(a)(2) and Local Rule LSR 1-2, an inmate seeking to begin an action in this Court may apply to proceed *in forma pauperis* in order to file the civil action without prepaying the full \$402 filing fee. To apply for *in forma pauperis* status, the inmate must submit <u>all three</u> of the following documents to the Court:

- (1) a completed <u>Application to Proceed in Forma Pauperis for Inmate</u>, this Court's approved form (i.e. pages 1 through 3 with the inmate's two signatures on page 3),
- (2) a <u>Financial Certificate</u> properly signed by both the inmate and a prison or jail official (i.e. page 4 of this Court's approved form), and
- (3) a copy of the <u>inmate's prison or jail trust fund account statement for the previous six-month period</u>.

The Court will grant Plaintiff a <u>one-time</u> opportunity to file a fully complete application to proceed *in forma pauperis* containing <u>all three</u> of the required documents, or in the alternative, pay the full \$402 filing fee for this action on or before **June 17, 2022**. Absent unusual circumstances, the Court will <u>not</u> grant any further extensions of time.

If Plaintiff is unable to file a fully complete application to proceed *in forma pauperis* with all three required documents or pay the full \$402 filing fee on or before **June 17**, **2022**, this case will be subject to dismissal <u>without prejudice</u> for Plaintiff to file a new case

 with the Court when Plaintiff is either able to acquire all three of the documents needed to file a fully complete application to proceed *in forma pauperis* or pays the full \$402 filing fee.

A dismissal <u>without prejudice</u> means Plaintiff does not give up the right to refile the case with the Court, under a new case number, when Plaintiff has all three documents needed to submit with an application to proceed *in forma pauperis*. Alternatively, Plaintiff may choose not to file an application to proceed *in forma pauperis* and instead pay the full filing fee of \$402 on or before **June 17, 2022** to proceed with this case.

The Court will retain Plaintiff's documents, (ECF No. 1), but the Court will not proceed until Plaintiff timely files a fully complete application to proceed *in forma pauperis* with all three documents or pays the full \$402 filing fee.

## II. CONCLUSION

For the foregoing reasons, IT IS ORDERED that the Clerk of the Court will send Plaintiff the approved form application to proceed *in forma pauperis* by an inmate, as well as the document entitled information and instructions for filing an *in forma pauperis* application.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that on or before **June 17, 2022**, Plaintiff will either pay the full \$402 filing fee for a civil action (which includes the \$350 filing fee and the \$52 administrative fee) or file with the Court:

- (1) a completed <u>Application to Proceed in Forma Pauperis for Inmate</u> on this Court's approved form (i.e. pages 1 through 3 of the form with the inmate's two signatures on page 3),
- (2) a <u>Financial Certificate</u> properly signed by both the inmate and a prison or jail official (i.e. page 4 of this Court's approved form), and
- (3) a copy of the <u>inmate's prison or jail trust fund account statement for the previous six-month period</u>.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that, if Plaintiff does not file a fully complete application to proceed *in forma pauperis* with all three documents or pay the full \$402

filing fee for a civil action on or before **June 17, 2022**, this case will be subject to dismissal without prejudice for Plaintiff to refile the case with the Court, under a new case number, when Plaintiff has all three documents needed to file a complete application to proceed in forma pauperis or pays the full \$402 filing fee.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that the Clerk of the Court will retain the documents submitted by Plaintiff. (ECF No.1).

DATED: May 5, 2022

UNITED STATES MAGISTRATE JUDGE